

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the paragraph starting on p. 10 line 22 and ending on p. 11 line 13 of the specification with the following amended paragraph:

FIG. 2 shows a pointing device 2 containing a camera 3, which generates images of the area in front of the pointing device 2 in the direction of pointing D. The pointing device 2 features an elongated form, so that the direction of pointing D lies along the longitudinal axis of the pointing device 2. The camera 3 is positioned towards the front of the pointing device 2 so that images are generated of the area in front of the pointing device 2 at which the user 8 is aiming. The images are transmitted by means of a transmitter 14 enclosed in the housing of the pointing device 2 and are transmitted in a wireless manner, e.g. Bluetooth, or 802.11b standards. A laser light source 7, mounted on the pointing device 2, emits a beam of laser light L parallel to the longitudinal axis of the pointing device 2 in the direction of pointing D. In this embodiment, the pointing device 2 features a button 11. The button 11 can be pressed by the user, for example to confirm that he has made a selection and to transmit the image of the target area. Alternatively, such a button 11 might additionally be used to activate or deactivate displaying of the visual presentation, so that the user interface options are only displayed when actually required by the user. Alternatively, the function of the button 11 might be to activate or deactivate the light source 7 mounted on the pointing device, or to activate or deactivate the pointing device 2 itself. Equally, the pointing device might be activated by means of a motion sensor incorporated in the pointing device 2, so that the visual presentation is automatically displayed when the user takes hold of the pointing device 2. The pointing device 2 draws its power from one or more batteries, not shown in the figure. Depending on the consumption of the pointing device, it may be necessary to provide a cradle into which the pointing device 2 can be placed when not in use, to recharge the batteries.